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Applicant : Neil Stratton
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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE

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Commissioner:

In response to the Office action of May 2, 2002, applicant provisionally elects, for examination, claims 1-14, the claims directed to a skateboard truck. The Office Action requires an election of species between I, Figs. 1-7 and II, Fig. 8.

However, the examiner's attention is directed to the claims of the application. Claims 1-14 are directed to a skateboard incorporating the trucks of Figs. 1-6 and 8. The skateboard is shown in Figs. 7B and 7D.

An election between the claims directed to a skateboard truck and claims directed to a skateboard would appear to be more appropriate. Thus, applicant provisionally elects claims 1-14 with traverse pending further clarification by the examiner.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: